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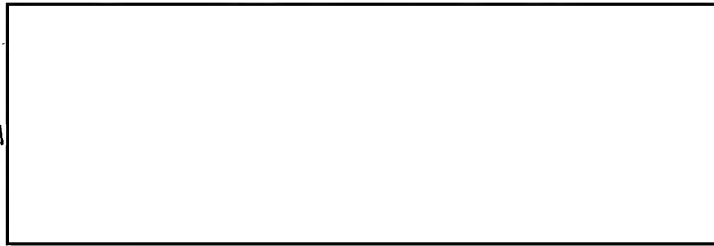
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		ZMw tank cars status of	
Marking		Number of Axles	Load Capacity (in hectoliters)
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Comment.		ZMw stands for Zisternwagen fuer Mineraloel, weisse Ware (Tank Cars for Mineral Oil White Products).	

According to previous information 2,837 Zmw type tank cars were available in the first half of May 1952. The total of these cars changes continuously because there is a frequent exchange between the tank cars used for the transportation of white products and those used for the transportation of black products. The load capacity of the individual tank cars depends on their type of construction. According to the present report, the capacity of two-axle tank cars ranges from 115 to 300 hectoliters. However, as most of them have a capacity of upward of 200 hectoliters they may be considered as having an average capacity of 250 hectoliters. Three-axle tank cars have a load capacity of 300 hectoliters. The load capacity of four-axle tank cars ranges from 450 to 630 hectoliters which results in an average of 600 hectoliters per car.

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